

REMARKS

As an initial matter, Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for his courtesy in the teleconference during the week of January 1, 2007, with Applicant's representative.

At the Examiner's request, Applicant files this Supplemental Amendment. This Supplemental cancels claims 79-84 without prejudice or disclaimer and amends claims 7-10, 27-29, and 45 to more clearly recite the inventive subject matter. Claims 31-44 and 49-70 were previously withdrawn. Claims 7-10, 27-30, 45-48, 71-78, and 85-88 are currently under examination.

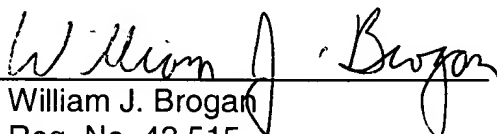
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that claims 7-10, 27-30, 45-48, 71-78, and 85-88 are now in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests the Examiner issue a notice of allowance as soon as possible.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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